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HON. E. W. BAGBY

His Glowing Words In Praise of the Fallen and Honored President.

WAS A MEMORIAL ADDRESS

Popular Orator Heard at the Methodist Church By a Large Crowd Thursday.

IT WAS A VERY FINE TRIBUTE

The accompanying is the address delivered at the memorial services at the Broadway Methodist church Thursday by Hon. E. W. Bagby, one of Paducah's brainiest and most brilliant men, and one of her most eloquent orators:

Friends and Fellow Citizens: Being absent from the city at the time it was determined by the citizens of Paducah that I should address you on this sorrowful occasion, and having only a few hours in which to gather material requisite for proper discourse upon so important a subject, I shall undertake the said office assigned me with many misgivings of my competency. And knowing the difficulty I shall have in repressing my own emotions I shall ask you to pardon any hesitation of utterance you may observe in this feeble address.

This is one of those rare occasions, when the sympathy of a great nation is close akin to those tender feelings generally confined alone to private life. Under any circumstances the assassination of a great ruler would be a mournful catastrophe, but the life and character of the beloved citizen, which lies in state today at the city of Canton, is conspicuous for virtues which appeal so strongly to the hearts of all the people, that the pomp and ceremony, which usually attend the funeral of one so exalted and renowned, are obscured and forgotten, and men, women and children bow in deepest agony of sincere distress, and each feels as if some one of his own dear household had forever departed.

My own feelings are so deeply affected by this overwhelming sorrow which I know so grievously afflicts you all, that I must postpone to a more favorable time any extended discussion of the influences which have conspired to produce a life so eminent in those virtues which have distinguished the noblest representatives of the human race. His resplendent life is not a pyramid, which narrows toward the top, but a straight shaft of solid granite, that towers in uniform strength and beauty from base to summit. There in all its majestic dignity it stands, as if some divine architect had moulded its proportions, while a mourning nation with tearful eyes upon it looks and weeps, and meanwhile seeks to learn the secret of so grand a life. A life which is the embodiment of the self-reliance, courage and hope of a great people. Never has the spirit of confidence so generally prevailed throughout the republic as during the administration of President McKinley. Confidence, not only in the country's material prosperity, but confidence in all social relations. Confidence, that no matter what betides, a strong and faithful ruler guides safely the destiny of his people. What is it that has inspired this confidence more surely than the high moral qualities exhibited in the sterling character and conduct of the president? Moral qualities which will be attributed by some to his early religious training, by intimate friends to the sincere friendship for all his countrymen, but to the people at large, his truly enlightened judgment, his lion-hearted courage, his great forbearance, patience and gentleness, will appear the most potent elements in the shaping of his admirable career. All of this signifies that he derived his strength from many sources. Could he come back and tell us now from whence his many manly virtues came, I doubt not he would point with pride to the teachings of her, at whose side in days long gone he sat and listened, and here obtained the inspiration which stimulated him to all his future greatness.

With what commendable modesty and simplicity he has fulfilled the duties of the high and responsible station to which he was called. Never has his exalted station seemed to divert him from that sense of democratic equality and simplicity, which placed him so gracefully as a man on a level in common with his fellow men. What ruler in ancient or modern times has given to the world more striking lessons of gentleness and forbearance in moments of great public concern. Patience under stress and storm, patience in the face of fierce opposition, patience with the mistakes and follies of ignorance—this is a virtue which comes from discipline under long moral culture. It is the virtue which distinguishes civilization from barbarism. There is nothing reveals genuine character like the exercise of power. It is easy for the helpless and irresponsible to be gentle, and most persons bear adversity becomingly, because they cannot avoid it. But to take the real measure of a man give him power. In every instance where this supreme test has been applied to the president he has invariably met every requirement. When the clamorous appeals of conflicting demands have invoked the application of his executive power, equanimity has always accompanied promptness of action. Doubtless much of this quality in his character was due to large tolerance, inspired by his abundant confidence in men. This unsuspecting reliance upon those he was so faithfully serving made him mindful of the common precautions required for his own protection, and in a moment when he least looked for any violent design upon his person, when in his simple, manly way he was manifesting his usual spirit of kindness, sympathy and trust toward the people he so fondly loved, he was basely betrayed into his death by the dastardly wretch who killed him.

In its effort to account for this foul deed the nation stands aghast in its perplexity, and bewildered at the consequences. The great alarm is, that the devilish teaching which provoked this most unnatural crime can impress its feeble-minded dupes with the deception, that such a heinous deed will be rewarded with a heavenly blessing and some sort of human approbation. Within the period of one generation three of the country's greatest rulers have been the victims of assassination. Within that time the people have by their ballots elected seven presidents, three of whom have been assassinated. One was the victim of passions influenced by the heat of a great national and sectional conflict, but the act of the assassin was deplored by men both north and south. One was destroyed by a man whose reason had become unbalanced by the partisan zeal impelled by insane greed for office. The last was killed by a man whose feeble intelligence was corrupted by the venomous social doctrines originating in the sun centers of Europe. It is a murderous record the like of which is unsurpassed by the criminal annals of any modern state. It is natural that the popular feeling should express itself with passionate emphasis in the determination to seek the cause of so great evil, and find the remedy for its suppression. It is a serious question after such a deplorable experience whether the fundamental law of the nation is not too liberal. The constitution of the United States provides that "Congress shall make no law abridging the freedom of speech and of the press." And the courts, in order to shield society against the bad effects of a too literal application of the declaration, have found it necessary to determine that in certain instances the broad privilege here granted may be abused. But the present temper of the American people will no longer leave to doubtful judicial construction the application of this liberal constitutional enactment, and they will immediately and vigorously demand such legislation as will give to the country a well defined and clearly expressed enactment, declaring that every hostile action upon the chief magistrate of the nation or of any state, and every utterance counselling the same, be visited with the most severe penalties. "One thing we need," said Mr. Jefferson, "to make us a free and prosperous people is, a government which will restrain men from injuring one another. It is the sum of good government, and it is necessary to close the circle of our felicity." The minds of thinking men are now busy with the effort to learn the cause which has impelled to this cowardly deed, and to what extent such a law shall be made operative in order to reach the gigantic evil, which has so sorely afflicted the American people.

The political conduct of the average man is largely the product of the prevailing opinion of the community in the locality where he resides, and this opinion is created and manifested through various avenues of expression to which the social organization gives rise, the most influential of which are the newspapers and the periodical press. It has been truthfully said, that "newspapers make and unmake men." The thoughtful opinion daily expressed in the columns of the press is one of the most powerful auxiliaries of good government. Efficient administration of law is largely due to the attitude of an enlightened and courageous press. And it is just as powerful in the pro-creation of social evil. The political evils which the public press is so well capacitated to multiply are most conspicuous during the state and national elections, when excess of party feeling prompts to extreme bitterness of statement concerning the character and conduct of political opponents and exaggerated caricatures of opposing candidates, which a cooler and better estimate of the person opposed seldom justifies. Notwithstanding the evils from hasty and ill-considered utterances and statements in the press and from the platform, appearing at every recurrence.

A GOOD MEET

Everybody Well Pleased With the Paducah Gun Club Tournament.

THE LOVING CUP CONTEST

The Starr Brothers Tied for the Possession of It—Good Shooting.

NOTES OF THE MEETING

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The contest for the handsome loving cup donated by Nagel and Meyers, the Starr brothers tied, and will have to shoot it off. Their shooting was a feature of the meet. There can't anyone touch them, but Mr. H. C. Bronaugh came close behind them, being only one bird below their score.

The cup will every year go to the member of the gun club having the largest score, and if any one member holds it for three successive years it becomes his property. In the contest for live birds and the lack of time, the two live bird events were curtailed yesterday afternoon.

Ex-State Champion Gay created much amusement with his shooting yesterday afternoon. When he was uncertain that his bird was dead he stood several times at his post with a very steady expression in his eyes undecided whether or not to run for the pigeon. The attitude he struck brought a laugh from the ladies and he then kept up his position solely for the amusement of the visitors. He made fun for the crowd, and several times came near giving the joke away by laughing. Very few knew that he was "jolly" the crowd which made the fun the more enjoyable.

Several small boys would not keep within the limit and came near being shot several times. They were at length captured and made to stand behind the shooters. When a pigeon was wounded they would run around the fence chasing the bird and several times came within range of the marksmen.

The marksmen were at the Palmer last night discussing the tournament. Every one pronounced it one of the most successful ever held in the state. The hospitality could not be out-done and every convenience was afforded the delegates. There was no trouble whatever in effecting a settlement and no accidents of any serious nature occurred during the two days the tournament consumed. The only accident that happened at all was the premature explosion of a cartridge which Mr. Hal Walters was placing in his gun. His finger nail was injured by the explosion but it did not interfere with his shooting.

The shooting of Dr. Duncan, of Louisville, was a feature of the meet and he is known as one of the surest and most graceful shooters in the state. He shoots in rapid succession and rarely misses his bird. Several shooters entered the live bird match and made a good showing comparatively, for they had never before shot at live birds and had confined their shooting to clay birds thrown out by the trap. Trimble, the man who did such phenomenal shooting at the inanimate targets did not participate in the live bird shooting as he does not shoot in such matches. He has a reputation as one of the best clay pigeon shots in the country and his shooting here was a fair example of what he could do in this line. The guns he advertised could not have been better exhibited and many were used in the shoot.

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THE WEEK'S NEWS IN TRADE CIRCLES

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DEMARÉE DIED.

He Never Recovered From Exposure and Neglect.

Came From A Prominent Kentucky Family—Lived At Louisville.

William Demaree, of Louisville, who was 57 years old and one of the best known characters about the Falls City, died in the city hospital here last night from general debility and the effects of his recent experience in lying half starved on the river front without food for several days. He had no feet, having lost them by a fall, and was sent to Mount City from here, and from there to Cairo. The city authorities at Cairo shipped him back here by the first boat, and he lay on the river front under a boiler for two or three days without food, and perfectly helpless before he was discovered.

City Physician Sanders ordered him to the city hospital and there he lingered until death relieved him. He was at one time a well-to-do young man of Louisville, but was ruined by strong drink, and had the reputation of having spent in recent years more time in the workhouse than any other man in Louisville.

The remains will probably be buried here in Potter's field. Mr. J. F. Brown, Jr., of Joplin, Mo., was in the city today en route home from a trip south. He is a son of Captain J. F. Brown, of Joplin. Roadmaster Pat Galvin was in the city last night. He left for Louisville on the pay car this morning at 6 o'clock.

The pay car arrived in the city yesterday and all the employees rejoiced. All hands were paid off and this morning the pay car left for the Louisville division and will pass through again Sunday en route south. Mr. T. A. Banks will return to the city Monday from his home in Springfield, Ky. The funeral of his father, who died a year or two ago, occurred yesterday morning and Mr. Banks will spend a few more days at his old home before returning.

Mr. Tom Stroud, an employee of the boiler department of the I. C., was injured yesterday afternoon. He was handling a large piece of sheet iron and accidentally let it drop on his foot mashing one of his toes very badly. He will be laid off from work for several days as a result of the accident.

Mr. John Hale, a helper in the I. C. blacksmith shops, is ill and off duty today. Mr. H. A. Maynard, an employee of the I. C. blacksmith shops, has gone to Little Rock, Ark., to visit relatives. Freight engine No. 284 which has been in the shops for an overhauling for the past several weeks, will be discharged today. It will then make four stalls vacant in the machine shops.

Four machinists resigned yesterday after the pay car arrived. The road has much trouble from this source. Every month from one to one dozen machinists apply and are given positions in the machine shops and when the month is gone they leave for other territory. Mr. T. P. Osborne, the I. C. day policeman, is out again after a week's illness.

INQUIRY COURT

One of Schley's Reports Openly Contradicted This Morning.

A WRANGLE YESTERDAY

A Reply of Rear Admiral Higginson Ordered by the Court Stricken as Inadmissible.

OTHER WITNESSES TESTIFY

Washington, Sept. 21.—Admiral Schley's friends have not much cause for rejoicing thus far over the way things are going in the court of inquiry which he demanded. The first witness this morning was Captain Harber, of the battleship Texas, who in his evidence before the board openly contradicted the statement in Admiral Schley's report as to signals and weather conditions at Cienfuegos.

Yesterday Rear Admiral Higginson testified at length. He told in reply to questions of the presence of the collier Merrimac, and of the departure from Cienfuegos and the arrival at Santiago on the evening of the 26th. In reply to questions he said that the Massachusetts had at that time taken on about 130 tons of coal, but that as the weather was rough this was done with difficulty.

The witness also told of the fleets leaving Santiago for Key West on the night of its arrival at the former place, and of how after steaming westward for some time the vessels all in response to commodore's signals, returned and steamed to within two or three miles of the mouth of the harbor. "What happened to cause the decision to return to Key West?" the witness was asked. "I don't know."

"What was the condition of the weather at the time for coaling at sea?" "It was not impossible to coal, I think." Towards the close yesterday the court announced that it had some questions of its own to ask. These were written, and the first was concerning the elevation of the guns during the bombardment of the Colon on May 31. The reply was that at first they were 7,800 feet and later 9,000 feet.

The next question was as to whether there was any place of shelter near Santiago where the flying squadron could have coaled upon its arrival at Santiago? Admiral Higginson replied that Guantanamo was only forty miles to the east.

The third question, coming as it did from the court, created something of a sensation, which was added to by the reply. The question was: "Was every effort made by Admiral Schley to destroy or capture the Spanish steamer Colon as she lay at anchor in the harbor at Santiago between the 27th and 31st of May?" "Object, object," came from each of Admiral Schley's counsel, but before a halt could be made the witness had replied: "I don't think it was."

The question and the reply led to a legal controversy. Judge Wilson and Mr. Rayner both gave reasons for their objections. They contended that the questions called for the opinion of the witness, whereas only facts were admissible. Finally the court decided that no opinions were admissible and the Rear Admiral's reply was stricken. A number of other witnesses were called to testify as to the feasibility of coaling at sea, and all seemed to think that it was possible on the occasion. Capt. Harber's memory proved bad and he grew angry under the interrogation of Schley's counsel. At noon recess was taken, and Rear Admiral Higginson was recalled to correct some statements made yesterday.

STILL ENCOURAGING. Canton, Ohio, Sept. 21.—Mrs. McKinley is going driving again today and seems to be much improved. Dr. Rixey is much encouraged.

NO SECTION. Washington, Sept. 21.—President Roosevelt said to some southern congressmen who called today: "I know no Mason and Dixon's line. It is my desire to be president of the people. I never believed in sectionalism."

ADJOURNED UNTIL MONDAY. They were five members of the Republican city committee present at the meeting called for last night, but owing to the fact that some of the committeemen were unable to leave their business because of the pay train's arrival, the meeting was adjourned until Monday night.

PROSPECTIVE ROW

Emery Faction Claims Intimidation is Attempted.

Magisterial Contest Already Settled—Certificate Signed By Potter.

The prospects for a row in the meeting of the Democratic county committee, if there is one next Wednesday afternoon, are very good. Chairman Emery and Secretary Eaton will not attend. They claim that the matter which Mr. Potter has called the committee to settle was decided by the committee weeks ago, when there was no dispute over the chairmanship, and that Mr. F. F. Gholson, whose nomination Mr. Hentley was contesting, holds a certificate now on record in the county clerk's office, awarding him the nomination, and signed by Mr. Potter as chairman and Mr. Eaton as secretary.

It remains to be seen how Mr. Potter can go back on the decision of his own committee, when he was chairman signed the certificate and there was no controversy. The Emery faction claim, that the Potter faction have been selling out to the members of the committee, letters threatening them with fine and imprisonment for a failure to attend the meeting which Mr. Potter has called for Wednesday, signing himself the chairman.

LIMBS MASHED.

Mrs. Mattie Fawn, of Brookport, met with a serious accident at the wharf boat here this morning shortly after 9 o'clock. She had come up on the wharfboat just as the steamer City of Clifton was making a landing. She stepped off the big stage plank of the wharfboat as the big steamer struck the wharf and her heel was caught under the big roller at the end of the stage, she was tripped up and thrown down by the jar and the big stage, weighing thousands of pounds, rolled on her lower limbs, mashing them very badly. Several gentlemen rushed to her rescue and picked her up before the stage could roll any further. They extricated her limbs from underneath the plank and carried her to a hack. She was taken to the Champion house on Court street and an examination of the injuries made. No bones were broken but her limbs are mashed and bruised in a painful manner.

The right limb was found to be worse hurt than the other, but the unfortunate woman was able to return home at noon, and no serious consequences are feared from the accident. The Avalon will be lengthened thirty feet before returning to her trade from Paducah to Chattanooga.

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PROCEEDINGS OF POLICE COURT

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